

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-12: CANCELLED

13. (Currently Amended) ~~[[The]]~~ A seat belt system, comprising: of claim 11,  
a seat belt for restraining and protecting an occupant sitting on a vehicle seat, the seat  
belt including a lap anchor at one end of the seat belt,  
wherein a seat weight sensor for sensing a load applied to the vehicle seat is installed  
below the vehicle seat, the seat weight sensor including a mounting bracket extending away  
from a load sensing portion of the seat weight sensor,  
wherein a slide bar is attached to the mounting bracket so that the slide bar is fixed  
relative to the seat weight sensor, wherein one of the slide bar and the mounting bracket  
includes an elongated hole that facilitates the alignment and connection of the slide bar to the  
mounting bracket,  
wherein the lap anchor is slidably connected to the slide bar, and  
wherein the mounting bracket has side walls and a supporting collar is located  
between the side walls.
14. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 13, further comprising a second collar  
located between one of the side walls and the slide bar.